### What are the arrangements?

When do I study i-develop?

If I am studying 5
Highers then I
will have an induction in June and 2
periods from core
PE in June to kickstart project I. Edmodo will then be
used for me to submit the remaining 2
projects in my own
time. Deadlines will
be set.

If I am studying I-4
Highers I have a period to work on my
Personal Development Award for
each National 5
qualification I am
sitting. For instance
if I study 3 Highers
and 2 National 5s I
will have 2 periods a
week to work on
my projects







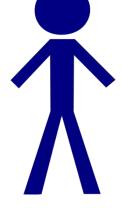
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# i-develop

Personal
Development Award

My Journey to Post School Readiness



Why are all pupils in S5 undertaking the Personal Development Award?

## Why do it?

- The course is geared around EMPLOYABILITY and helping me become POST SCHOOL READY
- This course will help me to prepare for further and higher education, the world of work and future careers
- The Award aims to develop: selfawareness, self-evaluation, interpersonal skills, working with others, task management skills, planning, target setting, reviewing (SQA Personal Development Award Specification 2012)
- UCAS points will be attributed from August 2016—ungraded Level 6 qualifications are given 45 points
- ✓ Surveys of employers are often critical of our skills—'Over half of our young people are missing basic soft skills such as communication and team working' BBC Survey of employers 2015

See what employers, universities and colleges say about wider achievement

# What is involved?

### Project I—Self Awareness

- ⇒ Analysing my own strengths and weaknesses using a variety of tools
- Choosing a skill where I have a weakness and undertaking a project to improve this skills

### **Project 2—Self and Work**

- ⇒ Undertaking research and analysis of possible future career options including college, university and employment
- ⇒ Creating or updating my CV
- ⇒ Undertaking exercises to support me having a successful interview

# Project 3—Group Project & Self in the Community

 $\Rightarrow$  Planning for and undertaking a group task

# What do Colleges, Employers and Universities say?



Employers "Wider achievement qualifications in application forms or CVs was used to inform interview questions and to prompt young people to speak about them selves."

Colleges "We take account of wider achievements at the interview stage, we're keen to choose those who are trying to improve their life experience."

In the case of universities "Wider achievements reported in personal statements did play a part in the selection process after formal qualifications. This was done in different ways depending on the type of course and the profile of the university,"